

SANG TO THE PUBLIC

Grace Church's Surplined Choir Gives Its First Concert.

FINE PROGRAM RENDERED

Although Mr. Beckett Organized the Choir Only Six Months Ago, the Boys Sing Very Well.

The vocal choir of Grace Episcopal church gave its first secular concert in the club house of the Ladies' Literary society last night. The choir was organized by Perry Cox and Master George DeChalk of St. Luke's choir, Kalamazoo. The Grace church choir was organized last January by Franklin Beckett. Considering the time the choir has been in existence, the work is creditable. Last night's program was a little too heavy for so young a musical organization, but with some trifling exceptions it was well handled. The choir is not quite balanced, the bass being a trifle too heavy in tone for the soprano and alto. This was especially apparent in the opening chorus, "O Italia, Italia, Beloved," by Rossini. The soprano and purity of the youthful soprano voices, however, is surprising, and the enunciation is almost perfect. The solo work of the members is hardly up to the standard of the choir, but this is due to difference rather than lack of merit. Perhaps the most pleasing number on the last night's program was the bass solo and chorus from Otello's "Lullaby," sung by Jay Grebel and the choir. Master Frank Wurnburg has a beautiful alto voice and he sang the solo, "Oh, Rest in the Lord," from Mendelssohn, with excellent expression. Carl Mow's arrangement of Vogel's waltz was well sung and Master Irving Clark's rendition of White's "Birds in Dreamland" was delightful. The choir sang the beautiful chorus "Jerusalem," from Gounod with good effect, although it was far from being the best rendered number.

Mr. Beckett has done excellent work in training the boys, and with a little more time the choir will be all that his ambition can wish for.

City News in Brief.
The burglar alarm rang in the Michigan trust building last night about 11:30 and Sergeant Webb with an officer or two went to investigate, but instead of finding a burglar learned that the janitor was testing the instrument when it "went off."

Physical Director Garland of the Y. M. C. A. will organize a new swimming class this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the association rooms, at which time it will receive its first lesson. Lessons will be given regularly on Thursday at 4 p. m.

The annual statement of the Palmer shirt company was filed yesterday. The capital stock is \$25,000 with \$5,000 paid in. There is no real estate and \$6,924.72 in personal property. The debts are \$1,720.25 and the credits are \$2,300.91.

Architect Stone is drawing plans for a \$4,000 residence for Judge R. M. Montgomery, who will build him a pretty home in Lansing, where he will reside with his family during his term on the supreme bench.

Tomorrow Bishop Gillespie will be fifty years in the ministry of the church. At 10:30 a. m. a special communion service will be held in St. Mark's church to which the friends of the bishop are invited.

Nanford W. Lyon has platted a piece of property, bounded by Resident street and Edwards street, between Robinson road and Wealthy avenue, into forty lots.

The Kings Daughters have presented the district nurse of organized charity with a handsome nurse's case for carrying medicines and other materials.

Work has begun on the foundation for Dr. Robinson's new residence on Sheldon street. The building will cost about \$5,500.

Col. E. S. Pierce has heard from his son Henry, whose disappearance caused some alarm. The boy is in Detroit all right.

The Good Templars will take an excursion down the river this evening on the Valley City.

The attaches of the telephone exchange will have a picnic at North Park this evening.

Applications for positions in the city schools will be examined this morning at 10 o'clock.

Dwight Kimberly has been engaged as assistant in the city clerk's office.

Personal Mention.
Mrs. L. F. Henderson of Olympia, Washington, is visiting Mrs. Moore Taggart. Mrs. Henderson, as Miss Kate Robinson, was formerly one of the most efficient and valued of the teachers in the public schools of the city.

Among those who went to Chicago over the G. R. & L. yesterday were Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Davis, Miss Davis, Charles W. Eaton and family, E. G. Wilson and family, and John McQueen.

Will Hine, clerk at the New Livingston, went to Lowell yesterday to attend the marriage of Frank Clark and Miss Falsano, a niece of Henry Falsano of this city.

Miss Alice Brown of Charlotte is visiting Miss Emma Field. She will go north to Bay View, where she has a cottage, today.

Mr. W. T. McNamara and children of Lake avenue are visiting her father, James Cox of Paris.

Miss Sophia Paschman has gone to Hopkins Station and Gunn Lake for a six weeks' vacation.

Miss Adrienne of New York is spending her vacation with relatives in Grand Rapids.

He will go to Old Mission to visit with his mother, Mrs. M. V. Aldrich. Miss Elsie M. Field, teacher in the Central grammar school, is in Chicago for the week.

Miss Mary Feltus of Brandon, Manitoba, is visiting friends in Grand Rapids. Glenn W. Parker and mother left this morning for the northern coast.

Mr. J. F. Cramer and Miss Lilian Whitmore have gone to Chicago. Mrs. C. J. Jahnke and daughter left for San Francisco yesterday.

The Messrs. Mabel and Oriel Hegel are in Chicago.

Society Notes.
The Knights of Honor are making preparations for a large excursion down the river Friday. Several hundred persons have signified their intention to take the trip. The excursion will leave on the river and go to the mouth of the river and return.

The Central W. C. T. U. will meet this afternoon at 2:30. Mrs. Georgia Fay Merrill, state organizer of the Y. M. will be present and some important business will come before the meeting. A large attendance is desired.

The Rev. T. W. Richardson of Denver, formerly pastor of the Church of Christ, will speak at the morning and evening services next Sunday. He will spend the summer with his family at Macatawa park.

A meeting of the Century riders of this city will be called some night this week to organize a local Century club. There are now twelve wheelmen who have ridden 100 miles within the limited time.

The Rev. J. C. Floyd will deliver a series of lectures on the Orient Friday night in the Second Street M. E. church. The lecture will be illustrated with stereopticon views.

A meeting of the new Pythian social club will be held tomorrow night in the hall at No. 702 Wealthy avenue. Some important business will be considered.

Will Have a Pythian Day.
The Uniform rank, Knights of Pythias, is making preparations for a general Pythian celebration here at the laying of the corner stone of the Pythian temple. It is thought the work will be advanced far enough for the ceremony in about six weeks. Several leading members of the order throughout the state have expressed themselves as being in favor of such a demonstration, and the local ranks will forward invitations to all lodges as soon as the order of exercises is determined upon.

The temple here will be the first one erected by the Knights of Pythias in Michigan, and the building of such a pretty home for the order is cause for pride throughout the fraternity.

Bicyclists Before the Council.
A delegation of bicyclists will go before the council committees at their meeting tonight to protest against the passage of an ordinance prohibiting the riding of bicycles on Cost avenue. The measure was introduced some time ago by Alderman Saunders, and it has passed the second reading. In speaking of the matter last evening A. B. Richmond said the wheelmen of the city are willing to aid in enforcing the ordinance under reasonable circumstances, but if the wheelmen are prohibited from riding on streets where it would be impossible to enforce it, much trouble would result. The boys fought down a resolution last year affecting the same thoroughfare, and they will try it again tonight.

Kent Fair Improvements.
Leland Cornell, trackman at the Kent County fair grounds, is cleaning up the grounds ready for the fall fair. The society will realize about fifteen tons of hay from the premises, which will be stored in the barn there for stock on exhibition. The directors propose to have a little more convenient arrangements for stock exhibitors this year by furnishing offices for the superintendent of the cattle, sheep and swine departments, so they may be found without difficulty. Heretofore these officers have occupied the office of the horse department, and considerable inconvenience resulted to other exhibitors.

Collector of Internal Revenue John G. Steketee has come to the conclusion that to the victors belong the spoils, and to help President Cleveland out of his embarrassing position in regard to appointing a collector for this district, has forwarded his resignation to the treasury department. Mr. Steketee's term would expire July 25, but he thought he would not keep the hungry democrats from the crib any longer. It is expected that his successor will be announced within a few days.

No Scarlet Fever Scare.
The new matron of the Children's home will not arrive until July 8. A trained nurse in charge of the scarlet fever patients in the home, and the officers do not believe that the disease will spread. A meeting was held at the residence of Miss Lou Simon yesterday afternoon and it was the unanimous sentiment of the ladies that there was no cause for alarm, because of the four or five cases that have developed. The sick children are quarantined, and the rest of them are doing very well.

Arrested for Embezzlement.
Sidney King was arrested last night by Detectives Galt and Jaksaw for embezzlement. The warrant was issued on complaint of A. S. Davis, a cigar manufacturer, who charges that King failed to pay over money as agreed for the sale of goods. H. M. Fischer, a confectioner who has been doing business with young King, claims to have been beaten out of \$50. It is said King has been leading a fast life for the past year and has used money belonging to others.

FIRE IN MUSIC GOODS.
Shepard-Hartman Building slightly scorched yesterday.

At 10 o'clock yesterday afternoon fire was discovered in the covered driveway from Fountain street into the Shepard-Hartman building, and for a time it was feared it would prove disastrous to the property in the building. The driveway is used for delivering goods to the Hartman furniture and music store, which is on the left. At the north end of the drive was a pile of excelsior, old boxes and hay used for packing goods, and it was in this mass that the fire originated. It is not known how the fire started. Mrs. Lockery, owner of the building and stock, said it could not have been caused by spontaneous combustion, as the alley was thoroughly cleaned out on Saturday and the excelsior in which it started had been there two days in accumulating. An alarm was turned in from box No. 1 and the department was soon on duty. The fire was confined in the vicinity where it appeared, but the excelsior found its way through the hall on the east end of the store to the west end. The principal damage resulted from smoke and soot. There were four organs in the alley when the fire broke out and they were destroyed. Mrs. Lockery's stock in the music department is valued at about \$2,000, with perhaps one-third of it covered by insurance. The building is insured for \$25,000. The damage to the stock was placed at about \$500 and to the building at about \$200.

CHEAP EXCURSION.
The C. & W. M. Road will run the First West Thursday.

Saturday the C. & W. M. will run the first of its cheap world's fair excursions. Tickets will be sold for any of the regular trains to Chicago and will be good for seven days. One fare for the round trip will be charged. Residents of Grand Rapids can go to Chicago and return for \$5.00. These excursions are run in accordance with the agreement entered into by members of the Central Traffic association.

W. B. Stinson, superintendent of the northern division of the G. R. & L. is in Bay View.

The C. & W. M. road will run an excursion to Muskegon July 10, for the benefit of the Macabres.

W. R. Shelby, first Vice president of the G. R. & L. road, and P. A. Gorham, auditor, have gone to Pittsburgh on business connected with the financial management of the road.

The steam shovel, which has been at work along the northern division of the G. R. & L. road, has been transferred to the southern division.

The Ladies.
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Dividend Notice.
The Board of Directors of the Kent County Savings Bank have declared a semi-annual dividend of 5 per cent, payable on and after July 3 next.
J. A. B. VANDER, Cashier.

Who said Rooney would not make a balloon ascension and parachute jump at Clarksville on the Fourth of July? Well, I guess he will.

EXTRA.
Harry Wood's Benefit Tonight.

The Brahama, Lewis and Kittle, Miss Kittle is well known to the Grand Rapids public, her home. Kittle will positively appear. Another attraction—Mr. Harry Hopper and Mr. Dick Hopper will introduce a grand horse show turning contest for \$25 against time, beating the world's record.

SCENIC TRIP.
Petoskey via West Michigan Railway.

MORNING TRAIN, with parlor car, leaves 7:30, including Sundays, arrive Petoskey 3:45 p. m.

NOON TRAIN, with parlor car, leaves at 1:40 week days and arrives Petoskey 8:50 a. m.

NIGHT TRAIN, with sleeper, leaves 11:15 p. m., except Sundays, arrives Petoskey 7:50 a. m.

Good Seven Days.
For the 7:25 a. m. "Flyer" and 11:30 p. m. train on July 1, the Chicago & West Michigan Railway will sell excursion tickets, Grand Rapids to Chicago and return, good seven days, at one fare rate—\$5.40. These tickets will not be good in parlor or sleeping cars, and good going only on the above named train, the popular "White City Flyer," arrives at Midway, Wisconsin, at noon and Chicago at 12:20 p. m. Remember its only \$5.40 via the West Michigan.

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